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As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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| <u>X</u> | was filed as Application Serial No. 10/560,156 on December 9, 2005. |
| specifi | I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified cation including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. |
| this ap | I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of plication in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56(a). |

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